Town of Stonington Permanent Committee to Study the Needs and Use of Town Public Buildings Including Town Hall Facilities May 18, 2010

A special meeting of the Permanent Committee to Study the Needs and Use of Town Public Buildings Including Town Hall Facilities was held on May 18, 2010, at the Stonington Police Station.

Present: Charles Ballato, George Brennan, David Christina, Tony Cassata, and Stephen Singer. Invited guests, Christopher T. Nardi and William R. Silver with Silver/Petrucelli + Associates, Inc. (joined the meeting at 7:20 p.m.)

(1) Call to Order/Approval of Minutes

George Brennan, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Charles Ballato made a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on April 19, 2010, seconded by Tony Cassata, and the motion carried unanimously.

(2) Correspondence

None.

(3) Old Business

None.

(4) New Business

George Brennan distributed a new parking lot scheme prepared by Silver/Petrucelli + Associates, Inc. that addresses concerns raised with parking at the Town Hall. George Brennan stated it meets the minimum zoning requirements removing two parking rows from the previous plan, increases the buffer, and the setback is 30 feet from the sidewalk. The plan allows for three handicapped parking spaces.

(5) Town Hall Space Needs Analysis - Final Report

Christopher Nardi reviewed the following adjustments to the final report:

- An explanation was added to the executive summary as to the preferred Revision B, explaining the rationale that it was the most efficient, requires minimal work, and it does not take away from the historical façade and symmetry of the existing Town Hall.
- A new parking layout was discussed by Committee members. The new plan allows for a maximum of 65 parking spaces. It also increases the frontage on Elm Street by 10 feet.
- Plan includes two canopies.
- The timetable was adjusted. The final report is proposed to be presented to the Board of Selectmen at its meeting on June 9, 2010.

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The Committee discussed the format for the presentation to the Board of Selectmen. Silver + Petrucelli & Associates will be present to provide a power point presentation. At least one public presentation should be scheduled so that residents can review the plan.

Refinement of various details, e.g., placement of transformers, etc. will follow approval of the plan.

George Brennan will follow-up with First Selectman, Ed Haberek regarding adding the presentation to the June 9, 2010, Board of Selectmen meeting agenda.

(6) Public Comment

Bill Sternberg, 153 Elm Street, raised concern for the parking lot configuration.

(7) Adjournment

There being no further business, Charles Ballato made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 p.m., seconded by David Christina, and the motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by,	
Maureen L. Carboni, Recorder	George Brennan, Chairman